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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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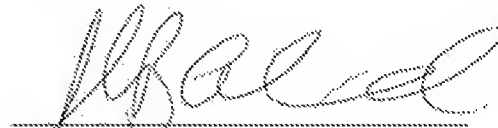
FOR: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING
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PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of March 13, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on June 13, 2007. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a). Applicant files a Continuation Application concurrently, US Serial No. 11/838329 filed August 14, 2007.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1020 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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